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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 23, 2003,
primarily in the nature of a requirement for restriction,
petition and payment for a one month extension of time being
attached hereto, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 26 of this paper.

Attachments including one table (1 page) and Amino Acid
Sequence Alignments (5 pages) are attached following page 27 of
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